(ग) उच्च शक्ति ट्रांसमीटर, भुज की कवरेज सीमा लगभग 120–140 किलोमीटर होगी ।

(घ से (च) सौराष्ट्र क्षेत्र में कार्यरत 11 ट्रांसमीटरों सहित गुजरात राज्य में सभी टी०वी० ट्रांसमीटर दिल्ली के राष्ट्रीय सेवा कार्यक्रम के अतिरिक्त उपग्रह के जरिए दूरदर्शन केन्द्र द्वारा निर्मित और प्रसारित क्षेत्रीय कार्यक्रम प्रसारित करते हैं । प्रत्येक ट्रांसमीटर के कवरेज क्षेत्र में पड़ने वाले क्षेत्र पर्याप्त और संतोषजनक सेवा प्राप्त कर रहे हैं ।

Notification of Prasar Bharati Act

1523. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for the delay in notifying the Prasar Bharati Act so that it can be implemented;

(b) what are the reasons for proposing amendments to the Act even before it is implemented; and

(c) whether the present vaccum in the field of the governance of the Doordarshan with the relevant provision of Prasar Bharati Act is making it an extension of Broadcasting Department making nugatory of the concept of autonomy for programme production staff of the Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) Government are considering certain amendments to the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990, before the said Act is brought into force, with a view to obviating operational difficulties when the Act becomes operational.

(c) No, Sir. Doordarshan enjoys functional autonomy even today.

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High Level Committee to Review the Functioning of Media Units

1524. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI GOVINDRAO RAMRAO ADIK:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the high level committee set up by Government to review the functioning of Public Sector media units has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) The High Level Committee set up by the Government to study the aspects relating to the services and cadres of all the media units and organisations of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and suggest remedial measures, did not include the only public Sector Undertaking, i.e. National Film Development Corporation under this Ministry, within the purview of its study.

The Salient features of the Report of the Committee relate to services and cadres under the Ministry of I&B and reorganisation of its various media units, training of the personnel and delegation of administrative and financial powers.

Proposal to Produce Telefilms

1525. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals to produce telefilms that have been received and duty recommended by each Doordarshan Kendra of the country during the last three years, number of them cleared so far, the number of them rejected and the number of them still pending for final decision; and

(b) the reasons for the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) and (b) Receipt of proposals for tele-serials including telefilms and their examination is an ongoing process. Proposals are received and processed by various Doordarshan Kendras and also by the Directorate of Doordarshan. The information regarding pending proposals is not kept centrally in a compiled forms.

Programme Generation Facility under Doordarshan

1526. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry approved locations for setting up of programme generation facility under Doordarshan for the year 1993-94 :

(b) if so, at what stake is the work going on at present ; and

(c) how much money has been sanctioned for Nagpur for this purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Preliminary action like identification/acquisition of suitable sites etc. has been initiated for the Programme Generation Facility schemes envisaged to be set up, including the one at Nagpur under Annual Plan 1993-94. Formal approval of these schemes has to be accorded by the competent authority.

Registration of Newspapers

1527. DR. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new Newspapers which were registered by the Registrar of Newspapers of India, during the last year ;

(b) what is the number of newspapers so registered but not being published ; and

(c) what is the mechanism being adopted to curb the practice of futile registrations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) As per records maintained in the office of the Regitsrar of Newspapers for India, 937 new Newspapers were registered during 1992.

(b) and (c) Newspapers are registered only after the same are published as required under the Press & Registration of Books Act.

News Magazines Produced by Films Division

1528. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the names of News Magazines produced by the Films Division during the year 1993 ;

(b) out of the above how many were produced departmentally ;

(c) what is the expenditure incurred thereon ; and

(d) whether departmental production is cheaper than private production ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) The names of News Magazines produced by the Films Division during 1993 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) All the News Magazines were produced departmentally.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.